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SUBJECT: NON-ALIGNED CONFERENCE: KOREAN APPLICATIONS

1. EMBOFF MET AUGUST 20 WITH COUNSELOR MOON OF SOUTH KOREAN EMBASSY FOR EXCHANGE OF INFO ON NON-ALIGNED CONFERENCE. EMBOFF TOLD MOON THAT ANOTHER FRIENDLY DIPLOMAT HAD SAID FONMIN DE LA FLOR'S CHIEF DE CABINET AND ANOTHER ADVISOR WERE TAKING POSITION THAT NORTH KOREAN APPLICATION FOR NAC MEMBERSHIP HAS MERIT WHILE ZBUTH KOREAN BID DOES NOT. THESE TWO GOP OFFICIALS MAINTAINED AT A RECENT SOCIAL GATHERING THAT NORTH KOREA IS ATTEMPTING TO DISTANCE ITSELF FROM BOTH USSR AND CHINA, WHILE SOUTH KOREA ACCEPTS PRESENCE OF FOREIGN TROOPS ON ITS SOIL. ARGUMENTS IN FAVOR OF SOUTH KOREAN POSITION, PUT FORWARD BY THE DIPLOMAT WHO WAS PRESENT, HAD NO DISCERNIBLE EFFECT ON GOP OFFICIALS' VIEWS.

2. MOON INDICATED THAT HIS FONMIN HAS APPOINTMENTS AUGUST 20 WITH MININTERIOR RICHTER AND FONMIN TO SET FORTH SOUTH KOREAN POSITION ON NAC MEMBERSHIP AND ASK GOP SUPPORT.

3. MOON ALSO SAID THAT FONOFF POLITICAL DIRECTOR SILVA HAD TOLD ROK EMBASSY THAT A RANKING SOVIET FONOFF OFFICIAL, NOW IN PERU TO KEEP AN EYE ON NAC DEVELOPMENTS, HAD EXPRESSED TO
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SILVA SOVIET DISPLEASURE AND PREOCCUPATION WITH THE NAC AND

UNDUE CHINESE INFLUENCE OVER IT.

4. COMMENT: AS REPORTED EARLIER, FONOFF HAS TOLD SOUTH KOREANS THAT IT MAINTAINS AN IMPARTIAL ATTITUDE ON NORTH AND SOUTH KOREAN APPLICATIONS FOR NAC MEMBERSHIP. WE CAN NOT SAY WHETHER GOP OFFICIALS VIEWS REPORTED ABOVE MAY REFLECT TRUE GOP POSITION REGARDING KOREAN APPLICATIONS, BUT THIS IS POSSIBLE.
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